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CASE NO. 92-ERA-15

IN THE MATTER OF

GEORGE W. WOOD,

COMPLAINANT,

v.

TEXAS UTILITIES, BECHTEL CORPORATION, AND G.S.C. RESOURCES,

RESPONDENTS.

BEFORE: THE SECRETARY OF LABOR

ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSING COMPLAINT WITH PREJUDICE

This case is before me for review of the [Recommended] Order of Dismissal With Prejudice (R.O.D.) of the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) in this case under the employee protection provision of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended (ERA), 42 U.S.C. § 5851 (1988). The ALJ recommends approval of the settlement agreement and mutual release submitted by the parties.

The settlement agreement appears to encompass the settlement of matters arising under various laws, only one of which is the ERA. For the reasons set forth in *Poulos v. Ambassador Fuel Oil Co., Inc.*, Case No. 86-CAA-1, Sec. Ord., Nov. 2, 1987, slip op. at 2, I have limited my review of the agreement to determining whether its terms are a fair, adequate and reasonable settlement of Complainant's allegation that Respondents violated the ERA. 42 U.S.C. § 5851(b)(2)(A).

Upon review of the terms of the agreement and the record in this case, I find that the agreement is fair, adequate and reasonable, and therefore, I approve the agreement and accompanying mutual release. Accordingly, the complaint is DISMISSED with prejudice, as requested in Complainant's Request to Enter Dismissal with Prejudice.

SO ORDERED.

LYNN MARTIN Secretary of Labor Washington, D.C.